

15. Aug. 2003


# **VERTRAG ÜBER DIE INTERNATIONALE ZUSAMMENARBEIT AUF DEM GEBIET DES PATENTWESENS**

Absender: ANMELDEAMT

<b>An:</b>  <b>CHARGE</b>  Kurt Stocker Büchel, v. Révy & Partner Zedernpark/Bronschhoferstrasse 31 Postfach 907 9500 Wil		<h1>PCT</h1>  MITTEILUNG DES INTERNATIONALEN AKTENZEICHENS UND DES INTERNATIONALEN ANMELDEDATUMS  (Regel 20.5 c) PCT)	
		Absendedatum (Tag/Monat/Jahr) 14. August 2003 (14.08.03)	
Aktenzeichen des Anmelders oder Anwalts WP-1859-P1		<b>WICHTIGE MITTEILUNG</b>	
Internationales Aktenzeichen PCT/CH 03/00548	Internationales Anmeldedatum (Tag/Monat/Jahr) 14. August 2003 (14.08.03)	Prioritätsdatum (Tag/Monat/Jahr) 27. August 2002 (27.08.02)	
Anmelder BARTELS Christian, 4123 Allschwil.			
Bezeichnung der Erfindung SAMPLING METHOD.			

- Dem Anmelder wird mitgeteilt, dass der internationalen Anmeldung das oben genannte internationale Aktenzeichen und internationale Anmeldedatum zuerkannt worden ist
- Weiterhin wird dem Anmelder mitgeteilt, dass das Aktenexemplar der internationalen Anmeldung
  - ☒ dem Internationalen Büro am 15.08.03 übermittelt wird.
  - ☐ dem Internationalen Büro noch nicht übermittelt wurde,
    - ☐ weil die erforderliche Überprüfung zum Schutz der nationalen Sicherheit noch nicht erfolgt ist.
    - ☐ weil (Angabe des Grundes):
  - ☒ Ein Exemplar dieser Mitteilung ist dem Internationalen Büro übersandt worden (da das Aktenexemplar dem Internationalen Büro noch nicht übermittelt wurde). \*

\* Das Internationale Büro überwacht die Übermittlung des Aktenexemplars durch das Anmeldeamt und unterrichtet den Anmelder über dessen Eingang (mit Formblatt PCT/IB/301). Ist das Aktenexemplar bei Ablauf des vierzehnten Monats nach dem Prioritätsdatum noch nicht eingegangen, teilt das Internationale Büro dies dem Anmelder mit (Regel 22.1 c)).

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An:  <b>CHARGE</b>  Kurt Stocker Büchel, v. Révy & Partner Zedernpark/Bronschhoferstrasse 31 Postfach 907 9500 Wil		<b>AUFFORDERUNG ZUR BESEITIGUNG VON MÄNGELN DER INTERNATIONALEN ANMELDUNG</b>  Artikel 3.4.i und 14.1 sowie Regel 26 PCT
		Absendedatum (Tag/Monat/Jahr) 14. August 2003 (14.08.03)
Aktenzeichen des Anmelders oder Anwalts W-1859-P1	<b>ANTWORT FÄLLIG</b> innerhalb von <b>1 Monat(en)</b> ab obigem Absendedatum	
Internationales Aktenzeichen PCT/CH 03/00548	Internationales Anmeldedatum (Tag/Monat/Jahr) 14. August 2003 (14.08.03)	
Anmelder BARTELS Christian, 4123 Allschwil.		

Der Anmelder wird aufgefordert, die Mängel der internationalen Anmeldung innerhalb der oben angegebenen Frist zu beseitigen; diese sind aufgeführt im beiliegenden



Anhang A



Anhang B



Anhang C

Weitere Anmerkungen (falls erforderlich):

## BERICHTIGUNG VON MÄNGELN

Berichtigungen sind auf einem Ersatzblatt, das die Berichtigung enthält, mit einem Begleitschreiben einzureichen, das auf die Unterschiede zwischen dem auszutauschenden Blatt und dem Ersatzblatt hinweist. Berichtigungen können nur dann in einem Schreiben niedergelegt werden, wenn sie so beschaffen sind, dass sie von diesem Schreiben in das Aktenexemplar übertragen werden können, ohne die Übersichtlichkeit oder Vervielfältigungsfähigkeit des Blattes zu beeinträchtigen, auf das die Berichtigung zu übertragen ist (Regel 26.4 a)).


## ACHTUNG

Werden die Mängel nicht beseitigt, so gilt die internationale Anmeldung im Anmeldeamt als zurückgenommen (weitere Einzelheiten sind Regel 26.5 zu entnehmen).

Ein Exemplar dieser Aufforderung mit etwaigen Anlagen ist weitergeleitet worden an das Internationale Büro



und die Internationale Recherchenbehörde.


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17. Sep. 2003

## PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

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From the INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

NOTIFICATION OF RECEIPT  
OF SEARCH COPY

(PCT Rule 25.1)

To:

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Attn. Stocker, Kurt  
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SWITZERLAND

Date of mailing  
(day/month/year)

15/09/2003

Applicant's or agent's file reference

WP-1859-P1

## IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION

International application No.

PCT/CH 03/ 00548

International filing date (day/month/year)

14/08/2003

Priority date (day/month/year)

27/08/2002

Applicant

BARTELS, Christian

## 1. Where the International Searching Authority and the Receiving Office are not the same office:

The applicant is hereby notified that the search copy of the international application was received by this International Searching Authority on the date indicated below.

## Where the International Searching Authority and the Receiving Office are the same office:

The applicant is hereby notified that the search copy of the international application was received on the date indicated below.

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(date of receipt).

2. ☐ The search copy was accompanied by a nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing in computer readable form.

## 3. Time limit for establishment of International Search Report

The applicant is informed that the time limit for establishing the International Search Report is 3 months from the date of receipt indicated above or 9 months from the priority date, whichever time limit expires later

4. A copy of this notification has been sent to the International Bureau and, where the first sentence of paragraph 1 applies, to the Receiving Office.

Name and mailing address of the International Searching Authority



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# PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

WO 2004/021208  
PCT/CH2003/000548

From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

18. März 2004

# PCT

## NOTICE INFORMING THE APPLICANT OF THE COMMUNICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION TO THE DESIGNATED OFFICES

(PCT Rule 47.1(c), first sentence)

To:

STOCKER, Kurt  
Büchel, v.Révy & Partner  
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Date of mailing (day/month/year)  
11 March 2004 (11.03.2004)

Applicant's or agent's file reference  
WP-1859-P1

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

International application No.  
PCT/CH2003/000548

International filing date (day/month/year)  
14 August 2003 (14.08.2003)

Priority date (day/month/year)  
27 August 2002 (27.08.2002)

Applicant

BARTELS, Christian

1. Notice is hereby given that the International Bureau has **communicated**, as provided in Article 20, the international application to the following designated Offices on the date indicated above as the date of mailing of this notice:

AU, AZ, BY, CH, CN, CO, DZ, EP, HU, JP, KG, KP, KR, MD, MK, MZ, RU, TM, US

In accordance with Rule 47.1(c), third sentence, those Offices will accept the present notice as conclusive evidence that the communication of the international application has duly taken place on the date of mailing indicated above and no copy of the international application is required to be furnished by the applicant to the designated Office(s).

2. The following designated Offices have waived the requirement for such a communication at this time:

AE, AG, AL, AM, AP, AT, BA, BB, BG, BR, BZ, CA, CR, CU, CZ, DE, DK, DM, EA, EC, EE, ES, FI, GB, GD, GE, GH, GM, HR, ID, IL, IN, IS, KE, KZ, LC, LK, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, MA, MG, MN, MW, MX, NI, NO, NZ, OA, OM, PG, PH, PL, PT, RO, SC, SD, SE, SG, SK, SL, SY, TJ, TN, TR, TT, TZ, UA, UG, UZ, VC, VN, YU, ZA, ZM, ZW

The communication will be made to those Offices only upon their request. Furthermore, those Offices do not require the applicant to furnish a copy of the international application (Rule 49.1(a-bis)).

3. Enclosed with this notice is a copy of the international application as published by the International Bureau on 11 March 2004 (11.03.2004) under No. WO 2004/021208

### TIME LIMITS for filing a demand for international preliminary examination and for entry into the national phase

The applicable time limit for entering the national phase will, **subject to what is said in the following paragraph**, be **30 MONTHS** from the priority date, not only in respect of any elected Office if a demand for international preliminary examination is filed before the expiration of **19 months** from the priority date, but also in respect of any designated Office, in the absence of filing of such demand, where Article 22(1) as modified with effect from 1 April 2002 applies in respect of that designated Office. For further details, see *PCT Gazette* No. 44/2001 of 1 November 2001, pages 19926, 19932 and 19934, as well as the *PCT Newsletter*, October and November 2001 and February 2002 issues.

In practice, **time limits other than the 30-month time limit** will continue to apply, for various periods of time, in respect of certain designated or elected Offices. For **regular updates on the applicable time limits** (20, 21, 30 or 31 months, or other time limit), Office by Office, refer to the *PCT Gazette*, the *PCT Newsletter* and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Volume II, National Chapters, all available from WIPO's Internet site, at <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/index.html>.

For filing a **demand for international preliminary examination**, see the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Volume I/A, Chapter IX. Only an applicant who is a national or resident of a PCT Contracting State which is bound by Chapter II has the right to file a demand for international preliminary examination (at present, all PCT Contracting States are bound by Chapter II).

It is the applicant's **sole responsibility** to monitor all these time limits.

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## PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

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NOTIFICATION CONCERNING  
SUBMISSION OR TRANSMITTAL  
OF PRIORITY DOCUMENT

(PCT Administrative Instructions, Section 411)

From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

To:

STOCKER, Kurt  
Büchel, v.Révy & Partner  
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Date of mailing (day/month/year) 18 September 2003 (18.09.03)	<b>IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION</b>
Applicant's or agent's file reference WP-1859-P1	
International application No. PCT/CH03/00548	
International publication date (day/month/year) Not yet published	
Applicant BARTELS, Christian	International filing date (day/month/year) 14 August 2003 (14.08.03)  Priority date (day/month/year) 27 August 2002 (27.08.02)

1. The applicant is hereby notified of the date of receipt (except where the letters "NR" appear in the right-hand column) by the International Bureau of the priority document(s) relating to the earlier application(s) indicated below. Unless otherwise indicated by an asterisk appearing next to a date of receipt, or by the letters "NR", in the right-hand column, the priority document concerned was submitted or transmitted to the International Bureau in compliance with Rule 17.1(a) or (b).
2. This updates and replaces any previously issued notification concerning submission or transmittal of priority documents.
3. An asterisk(\*) appearing next to a date of receipt, in the right-hand column, denotes a priority document submitted or transmitted to the International Bureau but not in compliance with Rule 17.1(a) or (b). In such a case, **the attention of the applicant is directed** to Rule 17.1(c) which provides that no designated Office may disregard the priority claim concerned before giving the applicant an opportunity, upon entry into the national phase, to furnish the priority document within a time limit which is reasonable under the circumstances.
4. The letters "NR" appearing in the right-hand column denote a priority document which was not received by the International Bureau or which the applicant did not request the receiving Office to prepare and transmit to the International Bureau, as provided by Rule 17.1(a) or (b), respectively. In such a case, **the attention of the applicant is directed** to Rule 17.1(c) which provides that no designated Office may disregard the priority claim concerned before giving the applicant an opportunity, upon entry into the national phase, to furnish the priority document within a time limit which is reasonable under the circumstances.

<u>Priority date</u>	<u>Priority application No.</u>	<u>Country or regional Office or PCT receiving Office</u>	<u>Date of receipt of priority document</u>
27 Augu 2002 (27.08.02)	02019215.9	EP	16 Sept 2003 (16.09.03)

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## PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

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COMMUNICATION IN CASES FOR WHICH  
 NO OTHER FORM IS APPLICABLE

Date of mailing (day/month/year)	15/09/2003
Applicant's or agent's file reference WP-1859-P1	REPLY DUE See paragraph 1 below
International application No. PCT/CH 03/ 00548	International filing date (day/month/year) 14/08/2003
Applicant BARTELS, Christian	

1. ☐ REPLY DUE within \_\_\_\_\_ ~~XXXX~~ days from the above date of mailing

☒ NO REPLY DUE

## 2. COMMUNICATION:

The applicant is informed that establishment of the international search report (ISR) for non first-filings may be delayed due to a current search backlog.


Although the time limit for entering the national phase before designated offices under Article 22(1) PCT and elected offices under Article 39(1) PCT has, with effect from 1 April 2002 (see PCT Gazette 44/2001 Section IV) been set at 30 months from the priority date (before the EPO the time limit is 31 months from the priority date - see Rule 107 EPC as amended with effect from 2 January 2002 - OJ EPO 8-9/2001, 373) not all PCT contracting states have yet made the necessary changes to their national laws and will for the time being continue to require entry to the national phase at 20/21 months from the priority date if a demand has not been filed before the end of 19 months from the priority date - see PCT Gazette/PCT Newsletter available on the WIPO internet site at <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/index.html> for an up to date list of the applicable time limits.

In these circumstances, the EPO acting as IPEA will accept, without any late payment fee under Rule 58bis PCT, the handling fee and the preliminary examination fee due in respect of the demand relating to the present application, even if they are not paid within the time limit prescribed in Rules 57.3 and 58.1(b) PCT, provided that they are paid within one month from the date of transmittal of the ISR; i.e., the EPO will only send an invitation pursuant to Rule 58bis.1(a) PCT after expiry of this one-month period. In all cases where the EPO has sent an invitation to pay and the applicant has not paid in full the amount due, the demand shall be considered as if it had not been submitted (Rule 58bis.1(b)-(d) PCT). A loss of rights may well be the consequence in designated states where the time limit for entry into the national phase under Article 22 PCT has already expired (see also Article 37(4) PCT).

Note that if the competent IPEA chosen by the applicant is not the EPO and if the fees mentioned above are not paid within the time limit prescribed in Rules 57.3 and 58.1(b) PCT, the competent IPEA is entitled to apply Rule 58bis.1(a) PCT immediately thereafter.

If your application is affected, we apologise for any inconvenience caused.

Finally, applicants are reminded that as of 3 January 2002 a rationalised PCT II procedure may apply, see OJ EPO 11/2001, 539 and that the EPO as ISA will not carry out international search on an application which relates to no more than a method of doing business, see OJ EPO 10/2001, 482. Applicants should also bear in mind the restriction of the EPO's competence as ISA and IPEA in certain technical fields in respect of certain international applications, see OJ EPO 1/2002, 52 and PCT Newsletter 1/2002 for further details.

Name and mailing address of the International Searching Authority  European Patent Office, P.B. 5818 Patentlaan 2 NL-2280 HV Rijswijk Tel. (+31-70) 340-2040, Tx. 31 651 epo nl, Fax: (+31-70) 340-3016	Authorized officer  ISA/EP
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## NOTES TO FORM PCT/ISA/220 (continued)

The letter must indicate the differences between the claims as filed and the claims as amended. It must, in particular, indicate, in connection with each claim appearing in the international application (it being understood that identical indications concerning several claims may be grouped), whether

- (i) the claim is unchanged;
- (ii) the claim is cancelled;
- (iii) the claim is new;
- (iv) the claim replaces one or more claims as filed;
- (v) the claim is the result of the division of a claim as filed.

The following examples illustrate the manner in which amendments must be explained in the accompanying letter:

1. [Where originally there were 48 claims and after amendment of some claims there are 51]:  
"Claims 1 to 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37 to 48 replaced by amended claims bearing the same numbers; claims 30, 33 and 36 unchanged; new claims 49 to 51 added."
2. [Where originally there were 15 claims and after amendment of all claims there are 11]:  
"Claims 1 to 15 replaced by amended claims 1 to 11."
3. [Where originally there were 14 claims and the amendments consist in cancelling some claims and in adding new claims]:  
"Claims 1 to 6 and 14 unchanged; claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added." or  
"Claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added; all other claims unchanged."
4. [Where various kinds of amendments are made]:  
"Claims 1-10 unchanged; claims 11 to 13, 18 and 19 cancelled; claims 14, 15 and 16 replaced by amended claim 14; claim 17 subdivided into amended claims 15, 16 and 17; new claims 20 and 21 added."

### "Statement under article 19(1)" (Rule 46.4)

The amendments may be accompanied by a statement explaining the amendments and indicating any impact that such amendments might have on the description and the drawings (which cannot be amended under Article 19(1)).

The statement will be published with the international application and the amended claims.

It must be in the language in which the international application is to be published.

It must be brief, not exceeding 500 words if in English or if translated into English.

It should not be confused with and does not replace the letter indicating the differences between the claims as filed and as amended. It must be filed on a separate sheet and must be identified as such by a heading, preferably by using the words "Statement under Article 19(1)."

It may not contain any disparaging comments on the international search report or the relevance of citations contained in that report. Reference to citations, relevant to a given claim, contained in the international search report may be made only in connection with an amendment of that claim.

### Consequence if a demand for international preliminary examination has already been filed

If, at the time of filing any amendments under Article 19, a demand for international preliminary examination has already been submitted, the applicant must preferably, at the same time of filing the amendments with the International Bureau, also file a copy of such amendments with the International Preliminary Examining Authority (see Rule 62.2(a), first sentence).

### Consequence with regard to translation of the international application for entry into the national phase

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that, where upon entry into the national phase, a translation of the claims as amended under Article 19 may have to be furnished to the designated/elected Offices, instead of, or in addition to, the translation of the claims as filed.

For further details on the requirements of each designated/elected Office, see Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide.



## PCT REQUEST

WP-1859-P1

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<b>0-1</b>	International Application No.	
<b>0-2</b>	International Filing Date	
<b>0-3</b>	Name of receiving Office and "PCT International Application"	
<b>0-4</b>	<b>Form - PCT/RO/101 PCT Request</b>	
<b>0-4-1</b>	Prepared using	<b>PCT-EASY Version 2.92 (updated 01.07.2003)</b>
<b>0-5</b>	<b>Petition</b> The undersigned requests that the present international application be processed according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty	
<b>0-6</b>	Receiving Office (specified by the applicant)	<b>Swiss Federal Intellectual Property Institute (RO/CH)</b>
<b>0-7</b>	Applicant's or agent's file reference	<b>WP-1859-P1</b>
<b>I</b>	<b>Title of invention</b>	<b>SAMPLING METHOD</b>
<b>II</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	
<b>II-1</b>	This person is:	<b>applicant and inventor</b>
<b>II-2</b>	Applicant for	<b>all designated States</b>
<b>II-4</b>	Name (LAST, First)	<b>BARTELS, Christian</b>
<b>II-5</b>	Address:	<b>Baslerstrasse 128 CH-4123 Allschwil Switzerland</b>
<b>II-6</b>	State of nationality	<b>CH</b>
<b>II-7</b>	State of residence	<b>CH</b>
<b>IV-1</b>	<b>Agent or common representative; or address for correspondence</b> The person identified below is hereby/has been appointed to act on behalf of the applicant(s) before the competent International Authorities as:	<b>agent</b>
<b>IV-1-1</b>	Name (LAST, First)	<b>STOCKER, Kurt</b>
<b>IV-1-2</b>	Address:	<b>Büchel, v.Révy &amp; Partner Zedernpark/Bronschhoferstr. 31 Postfach 907 CH-9500 Wil Switzerland</b>
<b>IV-1-3</b>	Telephone No.	<b>071 911 58 66</b>
<b>IV-1-4</b>	Facsimile No.	<b>071 911 58 67</b>
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## PCT REQUEST

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<b>V</b>	<b>Designation of States</b>	
<b>V-1</b>	Regional Patent (other kinds of protection or treatment, if any, are specified between parentheses after the designation(s) concerned)	<p>AP: GH GM KE LS MW MZ SD SL SZ TZ UG ZM ZW and any other State which is a Contracting State of the Harare Protocol and of the PCT</p> <p>EA: AM AZ BY KG KZ MD RU TJ TM and any other State which is a Contracting State of the Eurasian Patent Convention and of the PCT</p> <p>EP: AT BE BG CH&amp;LI CY CZ DE DK EE ES FI FR GB GR HU IE IT LU MC NL PT RO SE SI SK TR and any other State which is a Contracting State of the European Patent Convention and of the PCT</p> <p>OA: BF BJ CF CG CI CM GA GN GQ GW ML MR NE SN TD TG and any other State which is a member State of OAPI and a Contracting State of the PCT</p>
<b>V-2</b>	National Patent (other kinds of protection or treatment, if any, are specified between parentheses after the designation(s) concerned)	<p>AE AG AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY BZ CA CH&amp;LI CN CO CR CU CZ DE DK DM DZ EC EE ES FI GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS JP KE KG KP KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX MZ NI NO NZ OM PG PH PL PT RO RU SC SD SE SG SK SL SY TJ TM TN TR TT TZ UA UG US UZ VC VN YU ZA ZM ZW</p>
<b>V-5</b>	Precautionary Designation Statement In addition to the designations made under items V-1, V-2 and V-3, the applicant also makes under Rule 4.9(b) all designations which would be permitted under the PCT except any designation(s) of the State(s) indicated under item V-6 below. The applicant declares that those additional designations are subject to confirmation and that any designation which is not confirmed before the expiration of 15 months from the priority date is to be regarded as withdrawn by the applicant at the expiration of that time limit.	
<b>V-6</b>	Exclusion(s) from precautionary designations	NONE
<b>VI-1</b>	Priority claim of earlier regional application	
VI-1-1	Filing date	27 August 2002 (27.08.2002)
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